

## § 117.1

### PENNSYLVANIA

- 117.901 Chester Creek.
- 117.903 Darby Creek.
- 117.904 Delaware River.
- 117.905 Schuylkill River.

### RHODE ISLAND [RESERVED]

### SOUTH CAROLINA

- 117.911 Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway, Little River to Savannah River.
- 117.913 Ashepoo River.
- 117.915 Ashley River.
- 117.917 Battery Creek.
- 117.921 Broad River.
- 117.923 Congaree River.
- 117.925 Cooper River.
- 117.927 Coosaw River (Whale Branch).
- 117.929 Durham Creek.
- 117.933 Pee Dee River.
- 117.935 Rantowles Creek.
- 117.936 Savannah River.
- 117.938 Waccamaw River.
- 117.939 Wando River.

### SOUTH DAKOTA

- 117.941 Missouri River.

### TENNESSEE

- 117.943 Cumberland River.
- 117.945 Hatchie River.
- 117.947 Obion River.
- 117.949 Tennessee River.

### TEXAS

- 117.951 Arroyo Colorado River.
- 117.953 Brazos River (Diversion Channel).
- 117.955 Buffalo Bayou.
- 117.957 Cedar Bayou.
- 117.959 Chocolate Bayou.
- 117.963 Colorado River.
- 117.965 Cow Bayou.
- 117.967 Greens Bayou.
- 117.968 Gulf Intracoastal Waterway.
- 117.969 Lavaca River.
- 117.971 Neches River.
- 117.975 Old Brazos River.
- 117.977 Pelican Island Causeway, Galveston Channel.
- 117.979 Sabine Lake.
- 117.981 Sabine River.
- 117.984 San Bernard River.
- 117.987 Taylor Bayou.
- 117.989 Trinity River.

### VERMONT

- 117.993 Lake Champlain.

### VIRGINIA

- 117.995 Appomattox River.
- 117.997 Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway, South Branch of the Elizabeth River to the Albemarle and Chesapeake Canal.
- 117.999 Blackwater River.
- 117.1001 Cat Point Creek.

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- 117.1003 Chickahominy River.
- 117.1005 Chincoteague Channel.
- 117.1007 Elizabeth River—Eastern Branch.
- 117.1011 Great Wicomico River.
- 117.1013 Kinsale Creek.
- 117.1015 Mattaponi River.
- 117.1021 North Landing River.
- 117.1023 Pamunkey River.
- 117.1025 York River.

### WASHINGTON

- 117.1031 Chehalis River.
- 117.1035 Columbia River.
- 117.1037 Cowlitz River.
- 117.1041 Duwamish Waterway.
- 117.1045 Hood Canal.
- 117.1047 Hoquiam River.
- 117.1049 Lake Washington.
- 117.1051 Lake Washington Ship Canal.
- 117.1053 Lewis River.
- 117.1055 Skagit River.
- 117.1057 Skamokawa Creek.
- 117.1058 Snake River.
- 117.1059 Snohomish River, Steamboat Sough, and Ebey Slough.
- 117.1061 Tacoma Harbor.
- 117.1063 Willapa River South Fork.
- 117.1065 Wishkah River.

### WISCONSIN

- 117.1081 Black River.
- 117.1083 Duluth-Superior Harbor (St. Louis River).
- 117.1085 East River.
- 117.1087 Fox River.
- 117.1089 Manitowoc River.
- 117.1091 Menomonee River.
- 117.1093 Milwaukee, Menomonee, and Kinnickinnic Rivers and South Menomonee and Burnham Canals.
- 117.1095 Root River.
- 117.1097 Sheboygan River.
- 117.1099 St. Croix River.
- 117.1101 Sturgeon Bay.
- 117.1103 Upper Mississippi River.
- 117.1105 Wisconsin River.
- 117.1107 Wolf River.

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## Subpart A—General Requirements

### § 117.1 Purpose.

(a) This part prescribes the general and special drawbridge operating regulations that apply to the drawbridges across the navigable waters of the United States and its territories. The

authority to regulate drawbridges across the navigable waters of the United States is vested in the Secretary of Homeland Security.

(b) Subpart A contains the general operation requirements that apply to all drawbridges.

(c) Subpart B contains specific requirements for operation of individual drawbridges. These requirements are in addition to or vary from the general requirements in Subpart A. Specific sections in subpart B that vary from a general requirement in Subpart A supersede the general requirement. All other general requirements in Subpart A, that are not at variance, apply to the drawbridges and removable span bridges listed in Subpart B.

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#### § 117.4 Definitions.

The following definitions apply to this part:

*Appurtenance* means an attachment or accessory extending beyond the hull or superstructure that is not an integral part of the vessel and is not needed for a vessel's piloting, propelling, controlling, or collision avoidance capabilities.

*Automated drawbridge* means a drawbridge that is operated by an automated mechanism, not a drawtender. An automated drawbridge is normally kept in the open to navigation position and closes when the mechanism is activated.

*Deviation* means a District Commander's action authorizing a drawbridge owner to temporarily not comply with the drawbridge opening requirements in this part.

*Drawbridge* means a bridge with an operational span that is intended to be opened for the passage of waterway traffic.

*Drawspan* means the operational span of a drawbridge.

*Lowerable* means a non-structural vessel appurtenance that is or can be made flexible, hinged, collapsible, or telescopic so that it can be mechanically or manually lowered.

*Nonstructural* means that the item is not rigidly fixed to the vessel and can be relocated or altered.

*Not essential to navigation* means that a nonstructural vessel appurtenance,

when in the lowered position, would not adversely affect the vessel's piloting, propulsion, control, or collision-avoidance capabilities.

*Public vessel* means a vessel that is owned and operated by the United States Government and is not engaged in commercial service, as defined in 46 U.S.C. 2101.

*Remotely operated drawbridge* means a drawbridge that is operated by remote control from a location away from the drawbridge.

*Removable span bridge* means a bridge that requires the complete removal of a span by means other than machinery installed on the bridge to open the bridge to navigation.

*Untended* means that there is no drawtender at the drawbridge.

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#### § 117.5 When the drawbridge must open.

Except as otherwise authorized or required by this part, drawbridges must open promptly and fully for the passage of vessels when a request or signal to open is given in accordance with this subpart.

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#### § 117.7 General requirements of drawbridge owners.

Except for drawbridges that have been authorized, before January 3, 2007, to remain closed to navigation or as otherwise specified in subpart B, drawbridge owners must:

(a) Provide the necessary drawtender(s) for the safe and prompt opening of the drawbridge.

(b) Maintain the working machinery of the drawbridge in good operating condition.

(c) Cycle the drawspan(s) periodically to ensure operation of the drawbridge.

(d) Ensure that the drawbridge operates in accordance with the requirements of this part.

(e) Any drawbridge allowed to remain closed to navigation prior to January 3, 2007, when necessary, must be returned to operable condition within the designated time set forth by the District Commander and will become subject to the requirements of this part.

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